REFERENCE TITLE: motor vehicles; two license plates

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SB 1028

Introduced by Senators Jarrett, Allen

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 28-2351 AND 28-2354, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES.

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 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. Section 28-2351, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

28-2351. License plate provided: design

- A. The department shall provide to every owner one license plate for each vehicle MOTORCYCLE, TRAILER OR SEMITRAILER registered AND TWO LICENSE PLATES FOR EVERY OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTERED. At the request of the owner and on payment of any required fee, the department shall provide either one or two license plates for a vehicle for which a special plate is requested pursuant to this chapter, except that the department shall provide one license plate if the special plate is issued pursuant to section 28-2404, 28-2409 or 28-2416.
- B. The A license plate shall display the number assigned to the vehicle and to the owner of the vehicle and the name of this state, which may be abbreviated. The director shall coat the license plate with a reflective material that is consistent with the determination of the license plate commission established by section 28-2405 regarding the color and design of license plates and special plates as prescribed by section 28-2405. The director shall design the license plate and the letters and numerals on the license plate to be of sufficient size to be plainly readable during daylight from a distance of one hundred feet. In addition to the standard license plate issued for a trailer before the effective date of this amendment to this section AUGUST 12, 2005, the director shall issue a license plate for trailers that has a design that is similar to the standard size license plate for trailers but that is the same size as the license plate for motorcycles. The trailer owner shall notify the department which size license plate the owner wants for the trailer.
- C. Notwithstanding any other law, the department shall not contract with a nongovernmental entity to purchase or secure reflective material for the plates issued by the department unless the department has made a reasonable effort to secure qualified bids or proposals from as many individual responsible respondents as possible.
- D. The license plate commission established by section 28-2405 shall determine the color and design of the license plate. All other plates issued by the department, except the plates issued pursuant to sections 28-2412, 28-2413, 28-2414, 28-2416 through 28-2424, 28-2452, 28-2453, 28-2454 and 28-2455 and article 14 of this chapter, shall be the same color as and similar in design to the license plate as determined by the commission.
- E. A passenger motor vehicle rented without a driver shall receive the same type of license plate PLATES as issued for a private passenger motor vehicle.
 - Sec. 2. Section 28-2354, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 28-2354. <u>License plates; attachment</u>
- A. A person shall display the license plate or plates $\mbox{ON A VEHICLE}$ as follows:

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- 1. For a motor vehicle, motorcycle, trailer or semitrailer, on the rear.
- 2. For a ANY OTHER MOTOR vehicle, for which two license plates are issued, the vehicle owner shall display either of the following:
 - (a) One plate on the rear.
 - (b) one plate on the front and one plate on the rear.
- B. A person shall display all license plates as required by subsection A until their lawful use expires or is canceled or revoked. A person shall maintain each license plate so it is clearly legible. A person shall securely fasten each license plate to the vehicle as follows:
 - 1. To prevent the plate from swinging.
- 2. At a height of at least twelve inches from the ground to the bottom of the plate.
 - 3. In a position to be clearly visible.
 - Sec. 3. <u>Issuance of two license plates on renewal of</u> registration

Notwithstanding section 28-2351, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, the department of transportation shall not issue two license plates for a motor vehicle registered in this state on the effective date of this act until the registration is renewed.

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